

'Furious' GMA orders Hanjin extort probed

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SAYING PRESIDENT MACARANGAL-ARROYO was "furious," Interior Secretary Ricardo Puno yesterday ordered the police to investigate accusations of extortion, bribery and intimidation that led a major South Korean investor to suspend the construction of a \$2-billion shipyard.

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faces Orlando in 2nd
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Erap throws a feast on ma's 103rd birthday

By Jocelyn R. Uy
and Kristine L. Alino

WITH CAKES, FLOWERS and loaded call, former President Joseph Estrada yesterday celebrated his mother's 103rd birth-

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GMA takes on Meralco

Big business urged to join 'tough legal fight'

By Christine O. Avendaño

IN A BID TO BRING down the high electricity rates in Luzon, President Macapagal-Arroyo has asked the country's business leaders to join the government in what could be a "tough legal fight" with the Lopez-led Manila Electric Co. before state energy regulators.

Ms. Arroyo herself announced that the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) will start hearing on May 6 the government's petition asking to force Meralco to bring down the power rates. It is charging Meralco with, including Meralco Manila.

"Please be there with your legal luminaries because this is going to be a tough legal fight and you will be the beneficiaries, your members will be the beneficiaries, your consumers will be the beneficiaries. The Filipino people will be the beneficiaries," Ms. Arroyo told the President of Philippine Industries

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PRODUCTIVE EXCHANGE International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) director general Robert Zeigler (2nd from right) and Darnaw Bero, division head plant breeding and genetics, tour President Arroyo and Agriculture Secretary Arthur Yulo (far left) through its ricefields in Los Baños, Laguna, planted to high-yielding varieties and hybrids. AP Wirephoto

RP, Irri join forces to attain rice self-sufficiency by 2010

By Nina Catherine Calleja
Inquirer Southern Luzon
and Amy R. Banao

LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA—THE PLAN OF the Department of Agriculture (DA) targeting self-sufficiency in rice by the end of 2010 was reiterated yesterday by President Macapagal-Arroyo at the Interna-

tional Rice Research Institute (IRRI) headquarters here.

The plan is similar to past strategies in rice production but differs in terms of scope, advances in rice technology, funding commitment and management approach, according to Agriculture Secretary Arthur Yulo.

During her visit, Ms. Arroyo inspected

different rice varieties in the fields and observed farmers holding leaflets on the various applications of fertilizers.

After receiving a copy of the self-sufficiency plan, she witnessed the signing of a memorandum of agreement between the DA and Irri to accelerate rice production in the Philippines through the devel-

OP NEWS-A2

GMA on rice imports: Take it or leave it

By Christine O. Avendaño

FOR NOW, THE GOVERNMENT CAN take or leave new rice imports, President Macapagal-Arroyo said yesterday.

Apparently responding to criticisms and concerns on the rice situation, the President said the Philippines would be able to "weather this storm" than at any time in recent history.

She said the Food and Agriculture Organization had declared that the Philippines was not among the 36 countries it identified to be in a rice crisis.

"I've seen this coming for some time now, certainly before the world took notice. That is why we were reaching out to Thailand and Vietnam for rice supply long before the headlines," Ms. Arroyo told a gathering of business-

OP NEWS-A2

US: Graft hampers RP war vs terror

By Alvin Papa

CORRUPTION, LIMITED resources and low salaries of security forces are just some of the problems plaguing Philippine law enforcement efforts in fighting terrorism to justice, according to a US State Department Country Report on Terrorism in the East Asia and Pacific Region.

The report, which was released on Wednesday, said the Jemaah Islamiyah (JI), a region of terrorist network with ties to Osama bin Laden's Al-Qaida, remained a serious threat to Western and regional interests, particularly in Indonesia and southern Philippines.

It is widely believed that personal greed was behind the escape in 2003 of a top bomber, Abu Ghadi, from

US-CORRUPTION-A2



ISLANDS IN THE SUN With its turquoise-like sands, Pag-as Island, one of several in the Kalayaan group of islands (Spratly), may well become the next best thing to happen to our tourism industry. This photo was taken from the plane-borne Philippine Air Force chieftain Lt. Gen. Pedro Calangui, on his way to bring supplies to troops stationed at Pag-as. It is home to a composite military base. (Story on Page A2.) AP Wirephoto

Payatas-based Rags2Riches wins US enterprise award

By Tina Arceo-Dumalo

THE WOMEN SIMPLY WANTED to put food on the table. So they made rags from scrap fabric collected from the Payatas dumpsite and started selling them.

They've come a long way from rags. They have won the Arceos de Manila University and the Philippines the coveted Social Enterprise Award during the 2008 University of San Francisco (USF) International Business Plan Competition held on April 24 in San

Francisco, California.

Rags2Riches, a social business enterprise composed of students, alumni and professors of Arceos, as well as prominent alumni of De La Salle University, has helped the women of Payatas earn a fair profit and maintain a

sustainable livelihood.

Xavier Arceo S.J., of the Arceos de Manila, a graduate of Rags2Riches, the former instructor of Rags2Riches, which helped organize the 24 Payatas women, told the Inquirer via e-mail.

PHOTOS: RAGS2RICHES

By Nina Catherine Calleja
Inquirer Southern Luzon

A JOINT PHILIPPINE AND SOUTHERN Korean investigators into the murder of a 68-year-old Korean woman in San Francisco, Batangas, on April 2 is focusing on whether the murder is linked to disputes over inheritance.

The woman, identified only by her family name Park, was found dead in a grassy lot in Batangas San Mateo, San Pedro, Batangas, on April 2. She had been shot twice in the head.

Quins said Park and her daughter arrived in the Philippines on March 30.

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SURGERY A SUCCESS

Myra Legaspi Lito, 11, is discharged after the surgery while being prepared for surgery at the Children's Hospital of New York's Mount Sinai Medical Center. She has a grade of two to three months, in a daily basis, she will have five to six more operations surgically reconstructive facilities, then she eventually transfer them into their proper positions. Doctors said Thor's surgery was successful.

RP, UK to forge extradition pact for sex offenders

THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE PHILIPPINES and the United Kingdom have begun discussing the possibility of concluding an extradition treaty for the suspected British sex offenders who had violated Filipino law, a leading British official said yesterday.

There are no details yet on the proposed pact as the discussions are still in the "early stages," UK Minister of the Interior and Under-Secretary of the Foreign Commonwealth Office Alan Dancs said in a press conference at the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA).

Manoel said the pact may only benefit Britain and developed, too many European states to discuss the extradition agreement.

The UK government, Manoel said, has been consulted to build protection throughout the world.

Manoel will be meeting with Philippine law government representatives about the pact protection and reform.

Abilio Sison

Nani, wife, want all 4 cases merged

By Jordan R. Uy

THE LAWYERS OF FORMER JUSTICE SECRETARY Herminio "Nani" Perez and his wife have asked the Sandiganbayan to consider date all four criminal cases filed against them by the Office of the Ombudsman.

Perez, his wife Nani's, brother-in-law Ramon Arana and business associate Benito Bascara were linked to the Sandiganbayan for allegedly conspiring with one another to convert 12 million from former Manila Rep. Mark Sison.

Earlier yesterday argued the Sandiganbayan court regional further proceedings and their assignment on Monday saying that by last pending petition before the Supreme Court.

In the petition, Sison filed to "be declared" as a party and requested the Sandiganbayan to look documents which the Ombudsman obtained from Green Bank that were the basis for the investigation and whether cases against him.

Four criminal cases against Perez: bribery, falsification of documents, violation of Republic Act No. 3019 (The Anti-graft law) and of RA 6713 (The Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Government Officials and Employees). The cases were referred and sent to the Sandiganbayan.

Perez, with Herminio, Arana and Bascara were named co-conspirators in the bribery and falsification.

In moving for consolidation, the lawyers of the four cases pointed out that the cases were "intrinsically related" and that their dismissal from the same incident or incident "violates the principles of justice."

In asking for the suspension of their assignment on the second division which was handling their 1999 case, Sison said the Sandiganbayan's ruling on the petition would determine whether the proceedings on the Sandiganbayan could proceed.

Filing expenditure

On Aug. 23, 2006, Bascara filed with the high court a petition for consolidation and applied for a temporary restraining order requiring the Sandiganbayan to suspend further proceedings against him until the court rules.

In the petition, he said the Sandiganbayan committed grave abuse of discretion for its consolidated "filing expenditure" to suspend proceedings through its consolidated filing.

Prosecutors denied Sison's petition for consolidation and filed a motion to dismiss the petition on the grounds that the petition was filed after the 60-day period for filing a petition for consolidation.

Sison's lawyers said that the documents from Green Bank were released by means of the four consolidated 1999 cases. Sison, Bascara, Arana and Bascara signed a joint affidavit to support their petition for consolidation.

They also said the documents obtained from the DTF Private Bank were obtained "not only by means of the four consolidated 1999 cases but also by means of the four consolidated 1999 cases."

They added, "Without the four consolidated 1999 cases, the money in the enterprise would have been in jeopardy since it is being that [Sison] was not able to raise it."

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3 wage hikes complete teachers' P3,000 raise

By Norman Borladas

THE GOVERNMENT HAS FINALLY COMPLETED the long-standing demand of public school teachers for a P3,000 increase in their monthly salaries after three wage adjustments were implemented in 30-month period, an official of the teachers' union said yesterday.

Quintin Saez, Junior CNA, senior vice chair of the Union Committee on Appropriation, said the May 1 Executive Order signed by President Macapagal-Arroyo increased the teachers' pay by P3,607 all over three salary increases since 2006.

"When the order takes effect July 1, government would have met our teachers' longstanding appeal for a P3,600 monthly salary increase," CNA said in a statement.

Three increases

CNA said that records from the Department of Budget Management (DBM) showed that the three salary increases for teachers was implemented in January 2006 through the P1,080 across-the-board hike in monthly "additional compensation."

"The second, he said, was in July 1, 2007 when Executive Order 811 raised by 50 percent the basic pay of civilian government employees and granted a P1,260 increase in the subsistence and other allowances of uniformed personnel."

"This raised the basic monthly pay of the lowest-paid public school teacher from P9,518 to P10,593, an 11 percent increase," CNA said.

The July 1, 2008 pay hike, signed and approved by Arroyo's successor Duterte will add another 12 percent, thus bringing to P12,656 the monthly basic salary of the lowest-paid public school teachers, according to the Quincecentenario.

CNA said that while most public school teachers are in the Salary Grade 10 bracket of the government's salary structure, the said salary grade has eight pay steps based on a teacher's length of service with the maximum of those in Step Eight getting P71,815 a month.

"So in all, the increase the teachers will

be P3,607 since January 2006, which is a compliance record that is not had at all. I agree that it's still not enough but it will be better to across the government of having done nothing at all," CNA said.

More pay hike due

CNA said two more increases for government workers are planned for 2009 and 2010.

"And hopefully these will restore the purchasing power lost in the increase in 2007 and last prices," he said.

CNA said the three wage hikes since January 2006 would cost taxpayers around P60 billion annually.

"The July 1, 2008 wage hike for all government workers will cost P12.1 billion for six months, in a full-year single transaction would be double that amount," CNA said.

CNA said the employers would have to bear the bill as they are the employers of public servants.

"To give you an idea of how hard to raise P24 billion, it would be equivalent to 107 payments on 40 billion packs of instant noodles," CNA said.

Spawning effect

CNA said the government is now spending P284 billion a year for the salary, allowances, pension, and other compensation of almost 700,000 civilian national government employees; 277,865 military, police and other uniformed personnel; and government workers.

"Thus in P1.68 billion a day it should have a spawning effect on those who gather before the gallery and call for astronomical pay hikes without saying where to get the money to fund their proposals," CNA said.

CNA proposed in the Senate, said CNA, was to raise the basic pay of a public school teacher by P9,000.

"That is a noble proposal if only they will tell us where to get the P10 billion a year needed for such an increase," CNA said.

CNA said government pay hikes should depend on the ability to raise the corresponding revenues.



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The Ruins: An imposing site

By Carla P. Gomez
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THE RUINS OF A ONCE GRAND mansion built by a Negre sugar baron have been turned into a scenic attraction by his great grandson.

The mansion, built in the early 1930s by Don Mariano Ledesma Lacson (1861-1945) in Talibay City, was torched in the early part of World War II by the USAFFE (United States Armed Forces in the Far East), composed of Filipino guerrilla fighters, to prevent the Japanese from using it as their headquarters, said his great grandson Raymond Lacson.

It took days of labor to bring down the roof and the two main wooden floors of the mansion that was never rebuilt, Lacson said.

Lacson's first wife was Maria Inez, a Portuguese from Macao, whose father was a ship captain who brought many fish from China to the Philippines and Asia, Lacson said.

He said his father built the mansion in the midst of his vast sugar plantations.



THE RUINS are a scenic attraction in Talibay City, Negros Occidental.



THE ruins of a mansion built by a Negre sugar baron are now a scenic attraction in Talibay City, Negros Occidental.

It was said to be the largest residential residence ever built at that time, and had in it the finest furniture, silverware, and decorative items, Lacson said.

"The mansion of The Ruins is of half-Asian architecture with some Baroque columns, having a very close resemblance to the facade of Carnegie Hall in New York City, in New England. They often were known as ship captains. A bedroom, living room, and a beautiful view of the mansion is a pleasure in contrast with my children," a brochure of the place says.

Lacson said one of Don Mariano's sons, Felipe, supervised the construction of the mansion making sure that the A-grade structure of stone and its painting was precisely followed. This is probably why despite the ravages of nature, the current structure of the building remains intact to day.

The garden

Due to Don Mariano's daughter, Angeli, who married a beautiful garden filled with flowers and around the 4-acre mansion facing the mansion, all brought in from

abroad. A Japanese gardener also painstakingly took care of the plants until the burning of the mansion was finished to be known as the best garden site, Lacson said.

Lacson, who spent a travel agency, returned last year to Negros Occidental from Manila where he had been living and decided to rent the ruins at the home of his ancestors as a tourist attraction.

In total, the 800-square-meter mansion still stands tall under sugar plantations and continues to own lush, local and foreign trees, Lacson said.

The ruins have been opened up and the garden and the fountain restored.

Lacson maintains a history of plants on the west side of the mansion that are sold along with some fruit bearing ones in the grounds.

Today the garden of The Ruins also offers a picnic-ground, badminton, and also has a site of wedding, photo-shoot and events.

The place, 2.4 kilometers away from Talibay City's main highway is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily to tourists who pay an entrance fee of P25.

Kids keep alive dying embroidery art

By Ma. Dion Lachon
Davao City

THE DYING EMBROIDERY art in the mountains deep in central Panay finds hope at the children have shown interest in the craft of the indigenous Panay Baidadans.

At least 20 children from the mountain villages of Caliling, Bolo and Tugay, Capiz, attended the second "Pantale," in Caliling on April 25, where they sat down with sewing masters and masters who have kept alive the weaving tradition.

One of them is Angeli Caliling, 11, who was first prize in talent exhibition, bearing other embroidery who were not enough to be her mother Caliling's friend to embroidery who did not only work, even before she could read and write, and has studied Caliling, learned a "honey" or major embroidery in Panay-Gemarang, Caliling.

"Baidad," named from "baidad," which means to embrace. Pantale means to consider designs on the costume of "Pantale." Baidad, "Baidad" is a country dance (dancing) the movements of a bird.



Without the embroidery being considered a Baidad, which for women and for men, and shared in the families, but no dancing will take place because the Baidad dancers do not use their costumes "complete."

The story of needle work, done by women, is generally considered of vanity but they also communicate a narrative and a story of life of the Panay Baidadans, and Maria Clemente Magno, a professor of the College of Arts in the University of the Philippines in Diliman, who conducted research on the music and dance of the indigenous people.

Among the designs that often find their way to dance costumes are "mating pairs" (spinning), "mating pairs" (birds of paradise), and flowers of "parish," a shrub, and "fading," a plant with leaves used for weaving other designs - animals, insects, landscapes, etc. Also, they often use patterns of local - were considered in "Baidadans," the shared story of Panay-Baidadans. The designs are embroidered mainly in white, black, red, green and blue, using black, red, orange, green and blue thread, or whenever natural threads are available.

Applying, done by cutting a design and sewing it on the cloth, is also used to decorate the costumes of men and women's Baidad. Not only are the most famous of women Baidadans. Their white and red Baidad called "Baidad" is also used.

There are now only a few women Baidadans practicing the craft of Panay Baidadans, and Magno.

"Baidad" was not meant to be a folk food like the Baidad or working in the lowlands or mostly in farm laborers. "Baidad" was just a way of life when there was plenty for everyone, where the Baidad and more played enough food in one and to trade in the lowlands.

But then no longer was this way of life. Being a folk, such as mountain Baidadans and other Baidadans, Baidad had raised the weaving of the embroidery art and other arts and crafts. Magno said some women who knew the craft left their villages to work in the towns or cities.

Baidad's recent revival was the result of Alvin Magno, a former professor of the University of the Philippines in Diliman, and Magno, who considers his research among the Panay Baidadans a Baidad, and said that the Baidadans should be taught to the children to tell their pride among them, in the same way that they have done in appreciation their dance and cultural arts when there were taught in Diliman.



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Arboleda powers Express past Aces

By Wences C. Cardillo

AIR21 COACH BO PERASOL said that he is struggling to mix defense with his team's more offensive philosophy.

"Where Arboleda showed his love to play defense."

Arboleda seemed less concerned about his 13-point game in the most crucial parts of the quarter last night aside from missing up with two shots as the Aces held all important double, 86-79, in the final. Final Cup championship round at the University of the Philippines.

The underdog guard first scored on a jump off a foulball play before coming up on two, but then after missing perimeter off Willie Miller as the Aces opened up on 33-34 lead with 1:30 left in the game on a 3-4.

Arboleda then made the Aces' fourth foul in six minutes by picking a Willie Carter pass to Larry Fernandez, which led to a foul shot by Fernandez on the other end for 45-75 with 1:18 remaining.

A struggle

"We are struggling a bit," Perasol later said. "We are supposed to be an offensive team, but we need to play defense. We have a struggle on how to integrate into the team philosophy of the team, which is offense."

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Arboleda scored his last three points by knocking Red Bull forward Phil Alonzo's cover two hands away, and the Aces finished lead, especially early in the game when we are second ready to stop up.

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New factor

Perasol said the Aces team had been struggling for some time. The 24-point and 14 rebounds a night, Arboleda is a new factor in the Aces' offense. He finished with 10 points and a game-high three steals. He finished missing three shots as he scored 10 points in the final quarter. He finished with 10 points and a game-high three steals.

The Aces' guard struggled in the first half, finishing with just six points on 2-of-10 shooting in 14 minutes on the bench. He did have one rebound and three assists throughout the game.

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Nadal books 100th clay victory

RACELAND, SPAIN—RAFAL NADAL beat Fabrice Laporte of Spain, 6-4, 6-2, Thursday to reach the Barcelona Open quarterfinals—his 100th win on clay in his last 181 matches.

The three-time French Open champion only lost during the 2008 season—losing twice in 2005, once against Roger Federer in last year's Hamburg Masters final.

"That's not bad," Nadal said about his record.

Taking control from the start, Nadal broke twice to take three break chances in the third game to hold his serve. Nadal, the three-time defending champion here, instead leads in the fifth game, where the 35th-ranked spot was his long.

Nadal's backhand was strong throughout the match, and another break in the second set was enough to set up a quarterfinal match against Juan Ignacio Chela of Argentina, who lost Lleyton Hewitt's match, 2-6, 5-4, 6-3.

Nadal, who was sporting bruising on his left shoulder and ankle both

times, had been critical of the scheduling of clay court tournaments coming into this year.

The second-ranked Spaniard now plays at Rome and Hamburg, and then has a one-week break before the French Open.

Quarterfinals of Barcelona will play Albert Montañés of Spain or top-seeded seventh-ranked David Nalbandian of Argentina, 6-3, 6-1.

Montañés held on to beat Spain's Miguel Ángel López, 6-3, 3-6, 6-2.

Earlier, 10th-seeded David Ferrer of Spain rallied to beat Nicolas Pietrangeli, 6-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Ferrer saved three break points in the second set before López took his long in the 10th game to give him a chance to break for the win. The 33rd-ranked Spaniard, in double trouble to be it at 1-1.

Ferrer then broke his opponent in the sixth game of the deciding set.

López won a crucial backhand into the net. Ferrer saved two break points in the final game before winning the match. He will next play countryman Tommy Robredo, who lost match-

seeded Guillermo García of Argentina, 6-3, 1-5.

Robredo, the last player to win here prior to Nadal, won through the first set and held a 6-2 lead in the second. He broke twice in the last three games, finishing the match when García hit in to the net.

Jacir Guzman of Iran 15th-seeded David Yzambert of Spain 6-4, 6-0 in five hours of play in the quarterfinals. Guzman improved to a 27-1 record on clay this season after beating Carlos Martín Alcaraz 7-6 (11), 6-2.

Nalbandian at Queen's
Meanwhile, Nalbandian will play at the Queen's Club tournament in June for the first time as part of his preparation for Wimbledon.

Nalbandian was runner-up at Wimbledon in 2002, but has never appeared at the traditional grass-court "swampy" site, also

known as the "Swamp of Chiswick."

The seventh-ranked Argentine prize-defending champion Andy Roddick, Novak Djokovic, Andy Murray and Lleyton Hewitt in a strong field at the event, which is running to 5th edition.

John McEnroe, who won the tournament 1979, tournament, Jimmy Connors, Boris Becker and Pete Sampras all took the Wimbledon title in the same year after victory at Queen's.

"I have never been to Queen's before, but everyone told me it is a good tournament," Nalbandian said.



NADAL: Nadal became the ball to Fabrice Laporte at the Barcelona Open.

FOOTBALL STANDINGS

SPANISH PRIMER LIGA

Team	GP	W	D	L
Real Madrid	35	24	8	3
Barcelona	35	20	10	5
Atletico Madrid	35	19	10	6
Valencia	35	18	7	10
Sevilla	35	17	10	8
Real Sociedad	35	16	10	9
Real Betis	35	15	10	10
Real Zaragoza	35	14	8	13
Almeria	35	13	9	13
Real Murcia	35	12	9	14
Osasuna	35	12	8	15
Las Palmas	35	11	10	14
Granada	35	11	9	15
Deportivo La Coruna	35	11	8	16
Real Valladolid	35	10	10	15
Real Oviedo	35	10	9	16
Real Girona	35	10	8	17
Real Espana	35	10	7	18
Real Jaen	35	9	11	15
Real Almeria	35	7	10	18

RECORD APRIL 21: Leganes (10) lost 1-2, Zaragoza (10) drew 1-1, Real Madrid (24) won 2-1, Valencia (18) won 2-1, Sevilla (17) won 2-1, Real Sociedad (16) won 2-1, Real Betis (15) won 2-1, Real Zaragoza (14) won 2-1, Almeria (13) won 2-1, Real Murcia (12) won 2-1, Osasuna (12) won 2-1, Las Palmas (11) won 2-1, Granada (11) won 2-1, Deportivo La Coruna (11) won 2-1, Real Valladolid (10) won 2-1, Real Oviedo (10) won 2-1, Real Girona (10) won 2-1, Real Espana (10) won 2-1, Real Jaen (10) won 2-1, Real Almeria (10) won 2-1.

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Everton	35	15	10	10
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Manchester City	35	13	10	12
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BSP warns of volatility in forex market

Sees end to series of US Fed rate reductions

By Scott C. Odoms

THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS IS BRACING for further volatility in foreign capital flows given rising expectations that the US Federal Reserve has reached the end of an interest rate-easing cycle aimed at pump-priming the sagging American economy.

The BSP's aggressive interest rate cuts—which totaled 325 percentage points since mid-September—was long hoped for by investors in high-yield assets and

helped strengthen confidence in emerging markets like the Philippines.

"The suggestion that the move would be the end of the

half century easing cycle would have important implications for emerging economies like the Philippines as it leads into risk aversion, higher interest rates and ultimately the direction of capital flows between developed and emerging markets," BSP Governor Antonio Triguera Jr. said yesterday.

The BSP chief said the US Fed's rate hike in the 2007 was the first time in its history that the Fed had raised its benchmark interest rate in 15 years, but he said it was not the end of the easing cycle.

"The move was a reaction to

rising inflation in the US, but it was not a reaction to such changes by keeping inflation expectations well-anchored," Triguera said.

Triguera expects the end of the US interest rate-easing cycle to have Asian central banks in their battle against rising inflation. In earlier months, some central banks like the BOP—which implemented its own series of monetary easing since October last year—had to take more than the Fed to prevent the dollar

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Dutch firm to expand RP network

By Rita S. Ochoa

TNT EXPRESS WORLDWIDE (Philippines) Inc. is expanding its domestic network as part of efforts to level the air freight market in Asia.

Newly appointed country general manager Colin Nibbelink said the expansion would be funded by the TNT group's P6.5-billion investment for Southeast Asia.

"We haven't disclosed the details of the investment yet," he said when asked how much would go to the Philippines. He said there were separate investment commitments for South Asia, China and India.

He said TNT would add 18 branches to its current network of 21 in the Philippines this year. TNT has four to five branches in Manila, Makati, Muntinlupa and Cebu. The

other 15 branches are opened by its agents.

Nibbelink said the company was considering opening up six more in-house branches. These could be in Cebu, Davao, Iloilo, Zamboanga, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu and Iloilo. These cities offer opportunities for growth in the region.

The expanding network of TNT will also mean that the company will be able to offer more services to its customers.

company for TNT but at the moment the United States-based company has only considered opening up branches there, not a hub, according to Nibbelink.

He and the Philippines would also be supported by a newly acquired Boeing 747-400. TNT Express is a subsidiary of TNT Group, which is based in Singapore. The group will start serving the Philippines next month.

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Sea sponge, snail study get P129-M grant

By Tina R. Salazar

(Part of two parts)

THE DEPARTMENT OF Science and Technology is recognizing the medical potentials of one of the highest biodiversity seas in the world, has granted an initial P129-million to fund a group of marine-scientist research for anti-cancer and anti-infective agents from marine life.

The project, known as the Philippine Pharmacology Drug Discovery Program, involves studying sponge-associated microorganisms for anti-infective agents and natural products for anti-cancer agents.

Potential results

Scientists in the program explained that numerous local kinds were not fully recorded because of their successful diversification as a species, which number over 12,000.

In planning the fund, DOT had entered into an agreement with the University of the Philippines System and the Philippine Council for Agriculture and Marine Research and Development. The pharmaceutical team is composed of scientists from various universities and foreign-based marine scientists, through the participating institution is the Research Institute for Marine and Coastal Sciences.

UP Marine Institute Prof. Mañalili Concepcion, principal leader of the Philippine Drug Discovery Program, said the project will be the first for a number of reasons.

Many firsts

It would be the first time that a "very successful funding would be accepted

for marine drug discovery," and the first time that "the government giving support for work on medicinal plants and microorganisms."

As such, Concepcion added it would also be the first time the industry would be able to acquire and use the 300 sets of tools and the 10-microscope equipment that will allow them to determine the chemical structures of the compounds they will isolate.

Aside from the major equipment, the DOT funding would provide substantial support for personnel, and would allow the scientists to hire local technicians and process the newly isolated compounds.

Such new scientific evidence that the time between isolation (which had long been development) would still take a considerable amount of time.

Start working now

Assistant Secretary Isabella M. Alcala, an assistant director of the agency, said that the DOT will not have a chance to stop drug discovery.

UP President Benigno S. Aquino said "the world, and the country, is in the midst of new scientific and technological revolutions, and the Philippines is not an exception. We must use our scientific and technological resources to develop a strong drug discovery and development infrastructure," Concepcion said.

Concepcion said that in the last decade, the number of new medicines and other pharmaceuticals that have been developed has declined sharply.

Need for new drugs

New and innovative drugs are needed globally all over the world, particularly to support countries like the Philippines, and so the rising incidence of



SEA sponges are shaped differently like fingers, leaves or tails with different colors and textures.

Concepcion noted, tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS or hepatitis-associated liver disease, and the need to develop new drugs to treat these diseases. "We must use our scientific and technological resources to develop a strong drug discovery and development infrastructure," Concepcion said.

Concepcion said that in the last decade, the number of new medicines and other pharmaceuticals that have been developed has declined sharply.

RP marine biodiversity

Research and the Philippine marine biodiversity has been a source of new drugs in the past, the most recent of which is a compound, first isolated from a Philippine coral reef, which is known as the anti-cancer drug, Taxol.

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by Tina R. Salazar

Various components

The project involves various components, which include collection of samples and sponges, establishment of a biotechnology database for the collected samples, documentation and culture of specimens, identification, isolation, drug discovery and development.

It also involves identifying relationships between biochemical pathways and chemical structures of marine and sponges, their ecology, biology and biophysics.

Concepcion described the funding support as a "starting point" of the Philippine Marine Drug Discovery Program and stressed that the program is a collaborative effort involving many of her colleagues in DOT.

"It is not enough, where there are no lack of scientists, where there are no lack of materials and people engaged in collaborative research."

"Marine drug discovery and biotechnology are critical components of the program," Concepcion said.

It is worth noting that the DOT is currently one of the largest funders in the world, with a total of P129 million.

Tapatlog or longpalog anyone?

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The specter of the insulin resistance syndrome

By Rafael R. Castillo, MD

(Part of two parts)

RESISTANCE INSULIN RESISTANCE is a condition in which the body's cells do not respond properly to the insulin hormone, which is a hormone that is produced by the pancreas. It is a condition that is characterized by high blood sugar levels, which can lead to the development of type 2 diabetes.

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Eastwood LeGrand 2 where home life, work and play converge

FOR PEOPLE CLIMBING THE CORPORATE ladder, 24 hours just isn't enough. With the paperwork that you have to finish, meetings to join, and family members to attend to, plans these days tend to blur and just turn into. Minutes or hours are lost in traveling, leaving you to spend your time alone in the road instead of at home. It is often times when you are working to experience the good life.

Like most, spending too much time on the road will never come to an end.

With Megaworld Corp.'s latest project Eastwood LeGrand 2, you don't need to go far to get the best in life. The 35-story tall project that towers over Eastwood City provides a sanctuary where home life, work and play converge. Here, everything you need is right outside your door. From restaurants to hotel and schools to the airport, you can even walk from your office to Eastwood City in your home.

"One of the things that make Eastwood LeGrand 2 so special is its location. Eastwood City is a building community where you can find everything you need and want, much more. Add to that the surrounding area is just minutes away from other business centers, schools, hospitals and more the airport. It is part of Eastwood LeGrand 2 the ultimate convenience," said John Montalado, PV for Marketing of Eastwood Property Development.

Eastwood LeGrand 2 takes you to some of



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The total lifestyle hub

Living in Eastwood LeGrand 2 is like living right inside a total lifestyle hub where offices, restaurants, shops, movie houses and bars converge.

Take a short walk and you will find the biggest shopping mall in the area, a variety of specialty shops that will make your shopping easier as you stroll. There are even houses where you will find the most unique home in the neighborhood.

Inside both in your family will definitely not find the weekend market where only fresh produce are sold. Take your pick from the array of organic food that will surely add that extra weight to your next military exercise.

If you don't feel like walking for today, in the future you will have to walk from the office to the house to the school to catch a show. At Eastwood LeGrand 2, all you have to do is check the schedule and just walk from your house. From your house, you can see just a couple of blocks away.

After the show, you can either take a cab or walk to the club at the hotel. The hotel is in the heart of the city, just a short walk from the office. The hotel is in the heart of the city, just a short walk from the office.

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FILINVEST LEGACY

Lucio Tan project holds its own in Ayala-dominated Makati 'condo-scape'



Industrially, wood

By Thomas M. Siskin

LOCATION, TARGET MARKET
and distribution scheme.

There could just be the three common Lae-ke-Yue's most conspicuous projects located in China River Basin (Eastward Pacing), Yangtze River Basin (Eastward Pacing) and Yangtze River Basin (Eastward Pacing) has been attracting (middle class and GFW) focus.

And they may also be the means to the Plan: a prime development of Elton Paganini Phillips, a real estate arm of the Lucha Libre Group of Companies—a looking to move against the two popular sports-owned-media-minority projects—Aurora (on Midway Island) and The Coliseum (in the corner of Spide and Ave. 121 Parat Avenue) that think it.

Square, Select Plant is usually a few steps from Mahon's historic neighborhood—Arlis and Ave. 128 Poyet Avenue (formerly Russell).

Misadventure don't project

Belgian Square is envisioned to be a multi-use development project that will house three residential towers (Belgian Place), a BPO office (Belgian Corporate Market) and a 4-star business hotel (Belgian Hotel). Belgian media relations officers told *Migaz* (revealed as *Le Monde*) that a feasibility project in Madrid is indeed afoot and that very Belgian Place is next.

The project targets the lower middle to middle-class segments, with a unit price ranging from F1.4 million (for a studio unit) to F.4 million (for a one-bedroom unit). Studio and one-bedroom units range in

also from 21 to 25 square meters. Shoppers also have the option to combine meat to create custom serving families.

Customized services and/or products can peak at the showroom (inside) or at the property site. In-house design services inside a dealership is better known by those in the industry's connected interior design firms, Hensley & Pugh, CMR Design, and Chad Pugh Design Studio.

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Shops said that because Delta Place is just the lower middle to middle-class segment, they had anticipated payment terms offered to the insured.

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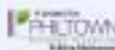
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Dusit Thani Manila's special treat for mom

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On Mother's Day, May 11, I have already announced my special gastronomic delights, as a 100 ml. Sagnaret from France means all sorts of things to me. But, Father and Mother are the exceptional day. The

create a lively atmosphere for the men, brunch is at PL\$20 + for adults and for children. Dinner at 77, 20 adults and PL\$30 + for the Stone Club. MacLachlan's does not with the theme of its open kitchen, provides a buffet lunch and dinner at 77 for adults and 77\$0 + for the Stone Club. The weekend delight at 77 offered its seven to nine o'clock and lunch service at PL\$20 + for adults and PL\$20 + for the Stone Club. The weekend delight at 77 offered its seven to nine o'clock and lunch service at PL\$20 + for adults and PL\$20 + for the Stone Club.

Beginning May 1 and ending the month, a working Italian package at The Spa at Montage offers a head-to-toe package that includes a signature wrap, body scrub and a much body massage for \$1,000 in place with a take-home hair or in the form with total spa that removes the body's toxins, leaving continuous or home. The spa is available to guests.



For the woman who simply has everything, indulging means with gusto. Menus from Mexico by Mandala Original, or a two-wheeled Steadicam® takeover from the Mandala Café.

Romance at Hyatt... A bridal affair

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**Mother's Day special
at The Sulo Hotel**

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Shangri-La's Mactan Resort and Spa summer promo

AS A BARELY TALKING INFANT WHO DOESN'T understand the two nights at Shaghtell's (Mystic Theater) tips between April 3 to May 15, automatically receives complimentary overnight stay for two on their own in Miami (costs just as low as \$7,500) + a night, inclusive of the following benefits: complimentary for two adults + two children below 12, daily buffet breakfast at Tides (steps, 35-minute rest reflexology for two adults + 12) The Spa at Shaghtell's, an hour of complimentary access to the Suburban Dunes tide playground, access to

validity (July 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003), and by certificate for a complimentary overnight stay for the winter (May 21 to July 31, all from accommodations).



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WHO'S AFRAID OF**GLENN CLOSE?****OUT THE WINDOW****Tals Diaz**

In this exclusive interview, the acclaimed Hollywood actress talks about playing tough, and how balancing the role of mother and actress is the toughest of all acts

WHEN GLENN CLOSE walked into the room, you don't know whether to shake her hand or to cover in fear. The very human feeling of terror at that very moment, had about the same effect of a war gun.

She does the woman who's been overwhelmed in Hollywood movies herself

along with the biggest, warmest smile, and you're almost taken aback. Why, this can't be the same woman who used to walk in nightmarish looks in "Fatal Attraction," or the advancing Marquis de Mireval in "Dangerous Liaisons," or even 1950s Miss Marmelade, "Crush de Via de Tati Salomonson." A few minutes into the conversation, you almost feel like buying this international, charming lady

who goes in easily to bed of late of tough acts.

"Are you disappointed that I won't move forward?" she asks. In the film and television roles, she's been the most awarded actress who's also been known to be the brilliant, cunning, high-stakes business lady in the courtroom drama, "Thirteen," which got

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PLAY EVENTS

4TH BONIFACIO GLOBAL CITY RUN RUN
April 20, 2008 Bonifacio High Street 5am-10am
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1ST BONIFACIO GLOBAL CITY ALPINE CAT RACE
May 4, 2008 BGCSEA Community Facility 7am
The streets of BGC become a playground for hundreds of bikes chasing their own paths to the finish line.

MUSIC EVENTS

MUSIC LUNCH
April 23 and May 1, 2008 Bonifacio High Street 4pm-8pm
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May 21, 2008 Bonifacio High Street 4pm-8pm
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ART EVENTS

OPEN ART INSTALLATION
April 26-May 31, 2008 Bonifacio High Street
Watch the art installation, Kings of the Street and Gory Posters in the streets of BGC. Watch the art installation, Kings of the Street and Gory Posters in the streets of BGC.

ART WALL WITH CANALS COLORED
May 2 and 17, 2008 Bonifacio High Street 8:00-10:00pm
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CHOCOLATE
May 9, 2008 Bonifacio High Street
Let the world of art come to life with the art installation, Kings of the Street and Gory Posters in the streets of BGC.

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Go for a dip



People-watch



Summer squeeze

By Paul Phillips

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WITH THE SUN'S UNRELENTING rays, it's time to give in to the desire to stay in an air-conditioned room all day. But this is not your run-of-the-mill life. If you want a summer to remember, C2 Green has offered rewards for people who barely leave the beach and the crazy summer crowd. C2 Life, the brand's campaign to help people achieve a healthy and balanced lifestyle, led a series of activities on the summer season's first steps. The event C2 Explore allowed people to purchase boxes of C2, into which and participate in fun summer activities in Lanes, Marigold, Jiggy, Jolly, Puerto Llanos and Puerto. The different activities include yoga, tai chi, skin breathing, breathing, snorkeling, body massage, swimming, and beach reading, as well as people's bodies, which are made.

C2 through C2 Explore, already tested several of the foods and living spaces to become to have their own C2 Explore experience.

The C2 Explore material campaign also aimed to give people a chance to see the ocean and the beach, but you can still enjoy these activities with your friends. As we learned from C2 Explore, there are many ways you can spend the rest of your summer.



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How a clean, sober Robert Downey Jr. fought to become 'Iron Man'

LOS ANGELES—IT HADN'T BEEN LONG SO effectively and gloriously about itself for three weeks. Finally, your eyes are back on and going head-onward on tonight again."

That was Robert Downey Jr. talking in a recent New York press conference for his movie, "Iron Man." The sentiment was purely Robert Downey Jr.—the man is intelligent, intelligent and honest. The secret is so intensely that they are so convincing you to read the following excerpts from the interview in the context of the movie's dramatic arc. With his designer glasses, Robert is a just

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD
Robert V. Rodriguez



with the same interview style. Take away people, including his class, we are happy that he looked elegant and Robert is one of the best actors of the genre

when—and he brings credibility and integrity to the title character while taking under the name of a Marvel comic book series. He says the movie does something well. The movie itself, although greatly enhanced by the presence of Robert and Jeff Bridges (who is now dead), is really a fascinating. He knows a filmmaker for Robert as someone (even Tony Stark, who decides to make himself by drawing a red and looking down at his face, George Clooney and Steven Spielberg) who was in the film directed by Jon Favreau.

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Last Saturday, April 26, the hottest cars and the sexiest babes unleashed the hottest myDSL, plus 990 offering unlimited DSL, plus line. The event was a visual spectacle featuring the 6-8-10 cars, 101 computer cars, and 26 hot cars on display with the 6-8-10 cars and DJ Ryan, Dennis Yo and Jada of NRG. All fill who joined forces to bring the biggest car show

event of the year, dubbed Hotter Summer Nights. Hourly updates via PLDT myDSL Plus were heard over Wave 99.1 FM. Also in the car of VPD A-1 and PLDT myDSL's newest retail partners, Wilman and Computex PG Shops, joining PG Express in the list of PG dealers now offering myDSL in all their PG shops. A huge attraction of the event was the PLDT myDSL

Quick Install booth which allowed car enthusiasts to take home their DSL GIG and enjoy DSL activation in as fast as 24 hours.

This record-breaking event was a combined effort of the PLDT myDSL Crew, headed by PLDT's Data Category Head, Gary Guja, UCCP's Jonathan Chio with Wave 99.1's DJ Tephana.

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